

# News Review

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## Curry Speaks to Greenbelt Group about Local Issues

by James Giese

County Executive Wayne Curry was the guest speaker at the Greenbelt Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club meeting on Friday, November 21. His glib, but frank, remarks covered a broad range of subjects and generally pleased those who heard him, even when he said things that they didn't want him to say.

In introducing Curry, Mayor Judith Davis noted that the city had had differences with the County Executive in the past, but now there had been "a great reconciliation." Later, she explained that the city council had been participants in a law suit over actions which froze the municipal tax differentials at the current level that the county executive took when he had first entered office. Although the suit brought by municipal officials was rejected by the circuit court, the county executive and the municipalities reached agreement on a new tax differential formula with which, Davis said, the municipalities were quite pleased.

Curry, who was faced with resolving a \$108,000,000 budget deficit upon entering office, told the group that because of the county's financial limitations, there were only three areas in which he had chosen to concentrate efforts toward improving

government: economic development, public education and public safety. He believes that he has made "extraordinary progress" in each of these objectives.

### Crime

When he was elected, crime was the number one problem, Curry said. He was delighted to report that crime was down substantially - in double digits - in all major categories except rape and that this drop has been over successive years. "We are really rocking and rolling in the area of law enforcement," he said.

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**County Executive  
Wayne Curry**

Public safety is one of two areas that have received budget increases. The police have brought in more computers, there has been a real emphasis over community-oriented policing and there are "more cops than ever before," said Curry.

There has also been a crackdown on major offenders, Curry said.

Over half of the persons arrested for crime are not county residents, he told the group. Be-

cause of this, the police are now conducting border checks of persons entering the county. He said that this has reduced complaints against the police department - residents of crime infested neighborhoods are willing to be searched, knowing that the cars of criminals entering their areas are also being searched.

### Schools

Curry noted that the Prince George's school system is the largest in the state, and that the county was bigger than some states. This year the Board of Education received the highest percentage of locally generated revenue within the past 25 years except for one other year, as well as the largest dollar amount ever. This occurred, he said, even though the county income growth was only a million dollars in a budget totalling one billion, two million - a very small percentage of growth.

He talked about the school desegregation case, now being reexamined by the federal court. Curry said that the county had never been a party to this suit which resulted in the court enforced busing of children. Curry told the attorneys that the county should be involved, because it had to pay the bills. He was told he couldn't do that, but he insisted and now the court has allowed the county to intervene. He

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### Greenbelt's History

## City's Planning Heritage Based on Howard Ideals

by James Giese

(This is one of a series of articles about the history of city planning and its influence on the development of Greenbelt. The article is based upon notes made for a lecture series at the Community Church two years ago. Much of the information is taken from the 50th Anniversary book, "Greenbelt, History of a New Town, 1937 - 1987." However, other source material was used as well.)

The concept of new towns and planned communities is not new.

Chatal Hooyyook (phonetic spelling), whose ruins date to 7,000 BC, is the first known human city. It is located in central Turkey.

In 474 BC, after the Greeks recaptured Miletus along the Aegean coast in Turkey from the Lydians and destroyed the town, the city was rebuilt according to a plan of the famous architect, Hippodamas, with streets crossing each other at right angles.

Around 200 B.C., when the harbor of Ephesus silted in and became a malaria-infested swamp, Lysimachos, a general of

Alexander the Great and ruler of the city, ordered a new city to be built in a valley with a higher elevation. The new town had streets following the natural topography, the valley floor. Ephesus later became an important site in early Christian history.

More recently and closer to home, a new town was established by the Federal Government. Laid out by Pierre Charles L'Enfant in 1791, Washington, D.C. became the new seat of our country's government.

### Company Towns

With the coming of the industrial age, a number of wealthy industrialists built towns to house workers near their new factories. They got a bad name and were called company towns because of their ghetto-like qualities, and the way some were managed to keep the worker always indebted to the company.

Still, some were based on genuine efforts to provide aesthetic, healthful, and affordable housing for employees. Pullman, now part of Chicago, and Kohler, Wisconsin, are two such company towns. Lever Brothers' Port Sun-

light in England is another.

Ebeneezer Howard, a parliamentary reporter, became interested in industrial town planning and combined various elements of community design into a single concept expressing complex ideals in a simple manner in a book first published in 1898 entitled "Tomorrow: A Peaceful Path to Real Reform" and reissued in 1902 as "Garden Cities of Tomorrow."

### Garden Cities

His concept for garden cities was to have a central city with a population of 58,000. From this core city, railroads would spread out to six garden cities of 32,000 population each. A ring railroad would connect the six garden cities on their outer edges, with industrial development located near the railroad.

Each garden city would have a core park around which civic, educational and cultural facilities would be built. Between the core park and the railroad, there would be a ring road - a grand boulevard - along which would be located residences in crescent-

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### Come On In!

Our office is located in the Greenbelt Community Center. Use the entrance facing the Municipal Building, go up the inside steps to the first door on the left (Room 100).

## News Review Has Sunday Deadline December 28

All copy and ads for the holiday issue of the Greenbelt News Review, January 1, must be received by the preceding Sunday, December 28.

Please help us meet the special deadline required by our printer during this busy holiday season when we are short of staff. The News Review has mail slots in both its inside and outside doors at the Greenbelt Community Center for drop-off during times that the office is closed.

### Ad Desk Hours

The ad desk will be open Sunday, December 28 from 2-4 and 8-10 p.m.

### Copy Deadline

All copy must be submitted by 4 p.m., Sunday, December 28.



Milton Mortman of Greenbriar in a chef's hat.

## Santa, the Jewish Cook, Shares a Holiday Recipe

by Dorothy Sucher

The holidays are almost upon us, and the ecumenical spirit is alive in the land—or at least in Greenbriar, where Milton Mortman lives. Mortman, who is Jewish, is all set to be Greenbriar's Santa Claus again this year.

"I guess it's the beard," he says, when asked how he came to play this role. "They told me I was supposed to do it. They gave me the suit."

It could be the beard, a fine, full, gray one. Or it could be his gentle, kindly demeanor. Mortman, who is 63 and a retired civil engineer, claims he doesn't know how to play Santa. "I ask the kids what their names are and how they're feeling, and I promise them everything they want for Christmas. If they ask for something I say, 'Sure, why not?' That's not what Santa's supposed to say."

Nothing about naughty and nice? The News Review inquired.

"I don't care about that."

### Jewish Cooking

But Mortman's holiday responsibilities will not be over when he doffs his Santa suit. The day after Christmas he will report to the National Museum of Natural History, ready to star in a demonstration of Jewish cooking at the

Smithsonian's annual Holiday Celebration. This is a festival of ethnic cooking and holiday crafts in which he has been representing Jewish cuisine for the last six years. The festival itself has been taking place for 25 years, and Mortman says he can't understand why no one seems to have heard of it.

This year he will be making "tayglach," a sticky, traditional confection of honey and nuts. "In different cultures—Greek, Middle Eastern—you find equivalent desserts with different names," he says. "Jewish cooking is an adaptation of foods from Eastern Europe and other cultures." Unfortunately Mortman won't be able to sample his tayglach, for he is allergic to nuts.

Mortman grew up in New York City, where his parents owned a Jewish bakery on the Lower East Side. He started helping out there when he was nine years old, and says he has worked ever since: "All my life, until I retired two years ago."

Does that feel strange? "Oh no, it's wonderful. I'm busy all the time."

### School Volunteer

Mortman works as a volunteer in the RESET program, providing See SANTA, page 5

# Letters

## Poor Lighting

I am disappointed with the recent installation of five high-pressure sodium cobra head lights near Hanover Parkway and Ora Glen Drive, especially following my comments on the proposed Hanover Parkway lighting (Greenbelt News Review, February 22, 1996, pg. 2). The installed fixtures are very inefficient and put out a large percentage of their light sideward and up toward the sky. The glare is extreme. Combined with the terrible lighting at the NationsBank, the area has been turned into a zone of light trespass. One only needs to drive westward on Ora Glen, especially on a rainy night, to experience the extreme glare produced by so much poor lighting.

If we can't improve the quality of the lighting scheduled for installation in other parts of our city, we are all going to experience the turning of Greenbelt into 24 hours of daylight. This is all quite unnecessary because efficient, full-cut-off light fixtures exist for all these applications.

I would like to hear from other Greenbelters who take offense to the unshielded lighting being erected around town. Many counties around the country are now adopting light ordinances to control outdoor lighting for purposes of recapturing the night that the human organism so desperately needs. It is not difficult to convince city and county officials of the advantages of good lighting when they are shown the figures proving that certain types of high efficiency and full-cut-off lighting can effect significant savings in energy costs.

Wayne H. Warren Jr.

## Beaver Option

Last week, Leonie Penney wrote in about the Beaver Problem article. She wondered why extermination of the beavers was not an option, and hoped somebody would clue her in.

Here's a clue: Imagine the City of Greenbelt hiring someone to lay waste to the beaver population. Would they send hunters around the lake to blast holes in any rodentia they spot? Would they lay out beaver traps that we would have to protect our kids and pets from? Would they introduce a poison into the water so that the beavers are floating belly-up by Monday?

Headlines of newspapers might read: Greenbelters = Barbaric Hypocrites. Slaughter of One Animal Kingdom in favor of Another. Can't We All Just Get Along?

Sure, our trees are nice. But when there are possible alternative solutions where we don't have to choose one form of life over another, we should try them first. Our goal is to keep our trees, but we can't blindly trample everything in our path on our way to that goal.

Jesse Mueller



## Vandalism Not Tolerated

Steven Harper's letter of December 11 charges the GHI Board and staff with inaction in a recent case of vandalism. Let us be clear: as Board members, and as members of the community, we do not and will not tolerate vandalism. In this case several members of the GHI Board and staff have discussed the incident with the individual who accepts responsibility for it. We are convinced that the responsible member understands that this is unacceptable behavior in a co-operative or any community. We believe that further GHI action is not called for at this time.

Keith Jahoda  
Julia Eichhorst  
Chuck Hess  
Dorothy Lauber  
Betty Dietrich  
Sue Ready  
John Taylor

## Dithering Must End

Greenbelt Lake is not a natural environment. In a way it is the community's back yard. Just as rats (smaller rodents) would be an unwelcome presence in your back yard, the presence of a beaver in our city park is a disgusting nuisance. The increasing number of very large trees destroyed by the beaver, the eyesore painting-marking, protective fencing, and the growing wreckage around the lake makes me wonder how long Greenbelt will accommodate this destructive pest?

The resources of Greenbelt Lake are man-made and actually rather fragile. It cannot support beavers and remain a city park. The dithering must end. It is a parody of conservationism to allow a single animal to destroy Buddy Attack Park. Either transport the beaver to some likely spot such as Western Maryland, or destroy it.

Joe Mayhew



## Greenbelt Connection New Year's Day Schedule

The Greenbelt Connection will not operate on Thursday, January 1 due to the New Year's Day Holiday. For more information, call the Greenbelt Connection at (301) 474-4100.



## New Year's Waste Collection

**Due to the New Year's Day holiday, Thursday, January 1 trash collection AND recycling collection will occur on Friday, January 2. There will be no Friday yard debris and appliance pickups.**

**City Offices will be closed on Thursday, January 1 but open Friday, January 2.**

For more information,  
call the Department of Public Works at  
**(301) 474-8004.**

## A Review Greenbelt Band Gives Concert

by Dennis Jelalian

The Greenbelt Concert Band gave a Holiday Lights concert at the Community Center December 14.

The program featured a number of holiday favorites and less well known pieces.

The band got off to a rousing start with "Santa Claus is Coming to Town." They followed with excellent renditions of "Troika" from the Lieutenant Kije Suite, Op 66, by Prokofiev, Leroy Anderson's popular "Sleigh Ride," and "White Christmas" by Irving Berlin.

There were two outstanding Chanukah pieces. "Chanukah is Here" was a charming suite of three pieces. "Shalom Havayreem" was performed by only a saxophone quartet, an excellent idea.

Brownie Troop #2208 from Holy Trinity Church were the featured guest performers. They sang six well known Christmas carols highlighted by "Silent Night."

The program ended with a visit from Santa who read "Twas the Night Before Christmas."

## Holiday Trash Also Can Be Recycled

Remember to recycle during this holiday season. Holiday catalogs, gift boxes, nonmetallic wrapping paper, old mail, newspapers and magazines are recyclable. Flattened toy boxes with plastic windows removed and shipping boxes are also recyclable. Mixed paper should be placed in a brown paper bag, tied with string or placed in a permanent container and set out by 7 a.m. on the regular collection day. It is important to keep paper materials separate from other recyclables.

When entertaining, remember to recycle glass bottles and jars, steel and aluminum food cans, plastic milk and water jugs, plastic laundry detergent bottles and plastic soda bottles. Screw-on lids and caps should be removed and discarded. Residents should place glass, plastic and metal recyclables in their yellow recycling bin. For information call Jennifer Foley, City Recycling Coordinator at 301-474-8308.

## The Old Curmudgeon



"Dear Santa. I need some Chanukah 'Gelt' so that I can buy Christmas presents."

## Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center

### Holiday Hours

New Year's Eve  
Wednesday, December 31, 1997  
6am-6pm

New Year's Day  
Thursday, January 1, 1998  
12pm-8pm

Call 301-397-2204 for more information

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Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Rd.

## GEAC to Hold 1998 Elections

by Dennis Jelalian

The Greenbelt East Advisory Committee (GEAC) held a short meeting at Windsor Green on December 4. Issues discussed included the status of Hanover Parkway projects and the GEAC elections for 1998.

Members were informed that a new streetlight has been installed at the entrance to Hunting Ridge on Hanover Parkway. At present, the light lacks a sensor, so currently the light is on 24 hours a day. After the sensor is installed, which is expected soon, the light will be off during the day.

The Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) has given permission for PEPCO to install streetlights for Hanover Parkway on WSSC's right-of-way above the 96'/78" water main on the west side of Hanover Parkway. However, details still have to be worked out between WSSC and PEPCO. WSSC is concerned that the streetlights might damage the water main. City Manager Michael McLaughlin and Director of Planning and Community Development Celia Craze are doing their best to urge both agencies to get on with the project.

### Election

The GEAC election of officers will be held at the next meeting, January 22 at Greenbriar at 7:30 p.m.

### Memorial Grove

At the November GEAC meeting, a motion was passed to propose that the city council establish a memorial grove at Schrom Hills park to honor distinguished Greenbelt citizens. GEAC chair Sheldon Goldberg will write a letter to the city council recommending the proposal.

## Our Neighbors

Holly Aleeza Berg, of Julian Court, recently received a bachelor of science degree in elementary education from East Carolina University in Greenville, North Carolina.

Daniel G. Flanagan, a general engineer with POLAR Acquisition Office, Systems Acquisition Office, was part of a team which managed the design, procurement and deployment of the nation's first high-altitude, state-of-the-art hurricane surveillance jet. The team was awarded a Silver Medal by the U.S. Department of Commerce. The Silver Medal is the Department's second highest honorary award and is given in recognition of contributions of exceptional value to overall departmental goals that serve the nation. Flanagan served as a project engineer and technical specialist; he identified and resolved critical issues on the performance and operational requirements of the aircraft communications systems, sensors, power systems and scientific subsystems.

Congratulations to Saba and Farah Farooqi, two Greenbelt sisters whose outstanding academic excellence was recently recognized. Both received awards from the Prince George's Community College Scholarship Program.

*Happy Holidays to All Our Friends, old and new, and a Healthy and Happy New Year, too.*  
Elizabeth & Charlie Nash and Philip Pels

## Coloring Contest for Young Artists

The Greenbelt New Year 98 Logo will decorate the walls of the Community Center on New Year's Eve. Young artists under 10 are invited to enter the poster coloring contest by purchasing posters from the Community Center office and turning them in before 3 p.m. December 31. Entrants are asked to put their name and birthdate on the back of the posters. Winners will be rewarded with prizes.

## Learn to Prevent Water Pollution

Come to Greenbelt Park and learn how water becomes polluted and what steps can be taken to help the rapidly deteriorating watershed. The program will be held on Sunday, Dec. 28, and Monday, Dec. 29, at 1 p.m. Participants are to meet at the ranger station. Reservations are required; call 301-344-3944.

## Enjoy a Winter Hike

It's time to kick off the winter trekking season with a park ranger and fellow hiking enthusiasts! Greenbelt Park is offering a two-mile hike on Saturday, Dec. 27, and Tuesday, Dec. 30. Reservations are required; call 301-344-3944. Participants are to meet at the ranger station at 1 p.m.

## At the Library

The library will be closed Wednesday, December 24 through Sunday, December 28.



To All My  
**GREENBELT FRIENDS**  
and  
**NEIGHBORS**

*Wishing you a bright and happy holiday season*

Judith "J" Davis

*Holiday Greetings to our Greenbelt Friends and Neighbors*  
Bernie McGee and Jim Giese



*My wife Althen, our family and I wish you and yours A Blessed Holy Season, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year that brings Peace, Joy and Good Health to All!*

Senator Leo Green

## HOLIDAY GREETINGS



**AND BEST WISHES FOR A HEALTHY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR**

Councilwoman

**Audrey E. Scott**  
Prince George's County Council



**From Our Home to Your Home**

*Wishing you and yours happiness during the Holiday Season and throughout the coming year.*

Delegate Joan Pitkin and husband Bill Bevan

A Review  
**ERHS Presents  
 Winter Concert**

by Dennis Jelalian

Some 300 students organized into six different musical groups presented a veritable smorgasbord of music at the Winter Concert on December 12 at Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS).

There were excellent pieces scattered liberally throughout the program. The Concert Choir offered an unusual ballad, "The River Sleeps Beneath the Sky," and the humorous "Dashing through the Slush" which pokes fun at the usual holiday concerns of buying the presents, doing the decorations and cooking the inevitable turkey.

An unusual version of the "Troika" from the "Lieutenant Kije" suite was presented by Concert Band II. By his careful use of dissonance and unusual harmony Prokofiev manages to poke fun at his subject in a light hearted way that makes the piece always enjoyable.

The Women's Choir did "Solstice" by Randall Thompson. The piece presents a different way of looking at the holiday season. The choir is directed by Barbara Baker who has carefully rehearsed her singers in breathing, diction, pitch and all the things that really good singers must know.

Baker's meticulous attention to detail shows in the excellence of her groups.

Two powerful pieces were offered by the Symphonic Band, "In the Bleak Midwinter," and "In All its Glory."

After intermission, Baker returned with the Chamber Choir offering an outstanding "Alles Was Odem Hat," by J.S. Bach.

Lastly Scott Laird led the Symphony Orchestra in a lively rendition of the overture to "Rienzi" by Wagner/Dockow. The piece was marred by some pitch problems.

Next they played three sections of the "Capriol Suite" by Warlock. This was an interesting and charming piece, chiefly for the string section.

Laird closed the program with "Finlandia," by Sibelius. This was a challenge for the young musicians; exactly the sort of challenge young musicians need.

What was most impressive about the concert overall was the spirit, enthusiasm and dedi-

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**School Breakfast  
 Program a Success**

Participation in the School Breakfast Program set records last year, with 67,000 schools nationwide and 1,223 in Maryland offering the program, according to a report released by the Maryland Food Committee and the Food Research and Action Center (FRAC).

FRAC's report, entitled "The School Breakfast Scorecard" summarizes research findings on nutrition and learning, including a study showing that participation in the School Breakfast Program was linked to significant improvements in academic performance among low-income elementary school children. The participation levels for students, which nearly doubled nationwide in 10 years, increased 106% in that time in Maryland.

Maryland is most distinguished for its 11.2% increase in low-income student participation in school breakfast programs, ranking it number four among other states.

"A hungry child can't learn," said Brenda Schwaab, Maryland Food Committee's director of Nutrition for Education. "The School Breakfast Program is a quick, easy and inexpensive way for all students to start their day prepared to learn. For some children from low-income families, it is the only way they will have the nutrients they need to learn in the classroom."

cation of so many young people, and the outstanding quality of the music leadership at ERHS. It was a pleasure to watch them lead their groups and to see their students respond so well.

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6:30 pm Quiet  
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**Multicultural Students  
 Do Well in ESOL Program**

by Meta Lagerwerff

"In ESOL, every day is remarkable," says Terry Dolan, teacher in the English for speakers of other languages/language minority program at Magnolia Elementary School in Lanham, which some Greenbelt students attend.

The goal of this program is to help students from foreign countries acquire English language skills in the shortest possible time, in order for them to be able to follow the curriculum at their grade level.

Most of these students have recently come into this country and they often have only a rudimentary knowledge of English or none at all. They are shy and withdrawn in what is for them a strange environment, and ESOL is there to help them and guide them.

The students, who come from every corner of the world, go through four levels of competency before "graduating" from the program. They must not only learn to speak and understand English, but also learn to read and write the language. Almost all of them spend part of every day in the ESOL classrooms for several years, where ESOL teachers target language and skills to help students attain a level of academic competence.

Magnolia Elementary School draws students from Greenbelt, Seabrook, Lanham and Glenn Dale. Of a total of 700 youngsters, 130 attend ESOL classes. Terry Dolan and Randy Hansen are the full time ESOL teachers, while Will Roberts divides his time between students at Magnolia and his 22 sixth and seventh

graders at Greenbelt Middle School. Dolan and Hansen each see some 50 students every day.

In the spring, the school organizes a multicultural fashion show; all students, foreign and American alike, dress in their best costumes. It is one of the highlights of the school year.

**ESOL at Springhill Lake  
 Elementary**

At Springhill Lake Elementary School, Sara Rosen and Jan Crowell teach for the ESOL program. Here a small contingent of students is bused in from Berwyn Heights and College Park, while the majority of the 730 youngsters live in the Springhill Lake Apartments and walks to school. There are 85 ESOL students, who speak 20 different languages. As Rosen and Crowell point out: "We are often advocates for whole families, who live close by and come to us with their problems. To see students blossom from shy, reticent youngsters into confident ones, whose eyes light up when they can say a sentence and be understood, is our biggest reward."

The ESOL teachers are much more than teachers of basic skills: for these youngsters they are the bridge into a new world.



**CDT Training Classes  
 Offered at PGCC**

Prince George's Community College's new Commercial Driver Training Program is accepting registrations for classes that will prepare commercial driver trainees to meet the requirements of the two-hour commercial driving test given by the Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration.

The program includes: extensive academic training for CDL testing in the areas of general knowledge, air brakes, combinations, passengers, tanker and other endorsements; vehicle inspection skills test; range maneuvering skills test; and equipment, instructions, range and development practice, and behind-the-wheel training for either the A-class program (tractor trailer) or B-class (straight truck).

A pre-registration interview is required for each applicant to discuss physical and federal requirements for entering the program.

Call Bob Sheeley, director of the CDL Program, at 301-262-3454.

**Baha'i Faith**

"Well is it with him whom the fleeting vanities of the world have not deprived of a lasting adornment, and whom avarice and negligence have not shut out from the illumination of the sun of trustworthiness."  
 —Baha'i Sacred Writings

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 Greenbelt, MD 20770  
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 11:00 a.m.

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 Rev. Jack Wineman

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 Worship Service 11:00 am

Rev. Guillermo Chavez, Pastor



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**Santa**

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science enrichment for children in the elementary schools. "There's a theory that kids decide in elementary school what they want to be," he says. "I encourage them to seek careers in science, not just basketball." He has worked with school children in the District of Columbia, and this year has been assigned to the Broad Acres school in Montgomery County, where he will be offering a program on sound.

Milton Mortman and his wife, Rhoda, who recently celebrated their 37th anniversary, have lived in Greenbriar for 16 years. They have two grown sons, and moved to Greenbelt from Suitland so that their younger son would have a shorter commute to Eleanor Roosevelt High School. Rhoda used to cook when the children were young, but she has some health problems now and her husband does all the cooking. She is on a special diet and says, "He cooks very nicely for me."

Mortman will be demonstrating Jewish cooking on Friday, December 26, from noon to 4 p.m. at the National Museum of Natural History, on Constitution Avenue between 12th and 14th Streets NW in Washington.

**Milton Mortman's Latkes**

Latkes are the traditional Jewish potato pancakes eaten at Channukah. They may be served with sour cream and/or applesauce.

**Ingredients:**

6 medium potatoes  
1 small onion  
1 egg  
1 tsp. salt  
3 Tbl. flour  
1/2 tsp. baking powder

**Preparation:**

Wash, pare, and grate potatoes. If potato juice is retained, a little more flour may be needed for thickening. Grate and add the onion and add salt and egg. Beat well, add remaining ingredients, and mix well. Drop by spoonfuls into hot oil in frying pan, brown on both sides, and drain on absorbent paper.

**Check That Range**

by Bill Holland

Free standing gas and electric ranges can tip forward if too much pressure is put on the range top or on an open oven door. As a result, injuries resulting from scalding, burning and falling objects can happen.

Standards require that ranges manufactured after 1991 not tip with 250 pounds or less on the door or drawer for five minutes. To meet this standard, manufacturers provide brackets with each range that must be used for securing the range to a wall, floor, or cabinet.

Why not take a look behind the range to make sure it's safe.

The above is a safety message from Greenbelt's Dept. of Planning and Community Development.

**Skating Discount Offered to Military**

During the month of December, the Herbert Wells Ice Rink at 5211 Paint Branch Parkway, College Park, will offer a special discount to anyone with a military ID. For information, call 301-277-3719.

**The View From Ridge Road****The Believing**

by Christina O'Boyle

My children can still hear sleigh bells in the sky and boots on the roof. They believe a generous old man with a white beard and warm red clothes knows who they are. They believe that among all the children in the world, he knows these two particular children who live on Ridge Road in Greenbelt, Maryland and what they want to unwrap Christmas morning. They see him, so he sees them. This perception is magic; it's wonderful to behold. So I want to protect my children and let them keep the magic forever. But I'm pretty certain that this Christmas will be our last visit from Santa.

There's a physical tingling when there's belief. I don't want my children to lose it and have to search for it. I want them to contain it. After someone tells the truth about Santa, I want to be able to turn to them and give them words that will keep the magic near. But all I've got are the edges of ideas, like feathers from a wing.

Like the idea that floated in front of me on the "down" escalator at Penney's in Laurel. There, in a 6 x 9 foot frame on the wall, were those two infamous cherubs. One looks heavenward; they both look ready for mischief. These two are everywhere. Still I laughed to see them in Penney's. But they made me think about the popularity of angels. Walkin', past lipstick and blouses, thought how for adults, seeing is believing. And even then we want proof.

Lost in thought, I nearly tripped and bumped a burly man. And because I was thinking about angels, I smiled, apologized, and wondered if he could be one. He laughed at me. His eyes sparkled with friendliness and he said "No problem." I decided he was.

Walking out to my car, I wondered if this angel trend wasn't more than a marketing ploy; if angels' popularity wasn't connected to how much we grown-ups want the magic back. And we want the angels to bring it. I drove to the next store on my list, got out of the car and looked at the wide grey sky thinking, "The trouble with angels is that they're Out There, far away, like heaven, like the North Pole. Maybe they're In Here, and we're all along - just like Santa."

"Oh, Santa," I thought. "If you knew the rocky road that follows once you're gone..." I

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**GREENBELT NEWS REVIEW****The Greenbelt Grab Bag**

by Punchin' Judy

Grandma, I want to play a game on your computer.

In a few minutes, dear. I need to finish this 60th anniversary column for the Greenbelt News Review.

What's a 'versary?

An anniversary is like a birthday, and we just had a party.

Did you have cake and candles and make a wish?

A lot of us did, mostly for volunteers.

Are volunteers like mountainers?

Well, sort of; it is an upward climb.

Sixty years is very old, isn't it? Are you that old?

Hm - um ... Well, you see I didn't move to Greenbelt until a few years later.

What did you write about in those way-back days?

Lots of things — animals and trees and people — like the milkman, for instance.

Did the milkman have a cow?

He had a truck and he brought the milk right to the door. There was a bread man too, and a vegetable man and an egg man. Nobody makes deliveries like that anymore. Of course we get mail, but only if the Post Office knows the address.

Sometimes Mommy and Daddy order pizza, and it gets livered.

Yes, but they order it. It doesn't come automatically.

Auto...? I thought you said the milkman had a truck.

What I meant was that these people came regularly, without

**Cancer Society Seeks Volunteers**

The American Cancer Society needs volunteer drivers and coordinators for the Patient Services Program in Prince George's and Montgomery Counties. Volunteer drivers will take patients to and from treatment and medical appointments related to cancer. Volunteers will drive patients that live in their areas. Coordinators working from the Silver Spring office will call volunteer drivers to coordinate patient rides. Mileage reimbursement is available. Volunteer drivers are needed Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Volunteers drive according to their schedules. Coordinators work according to their schedules, but usually in a shift, 9 a.m. to noon, or 1 to 4 p.m. For additional information, please contact Deatrice Womack at 301-933-9350.

being called especially. It just doesn't happen anymore.

I guess that makes you sad. What was that noise at the door?

Probably the News Review being delivered.

But you said nobody 'livers any more!

Grandma must be getting old; I almost forgot that luckily some things never change.

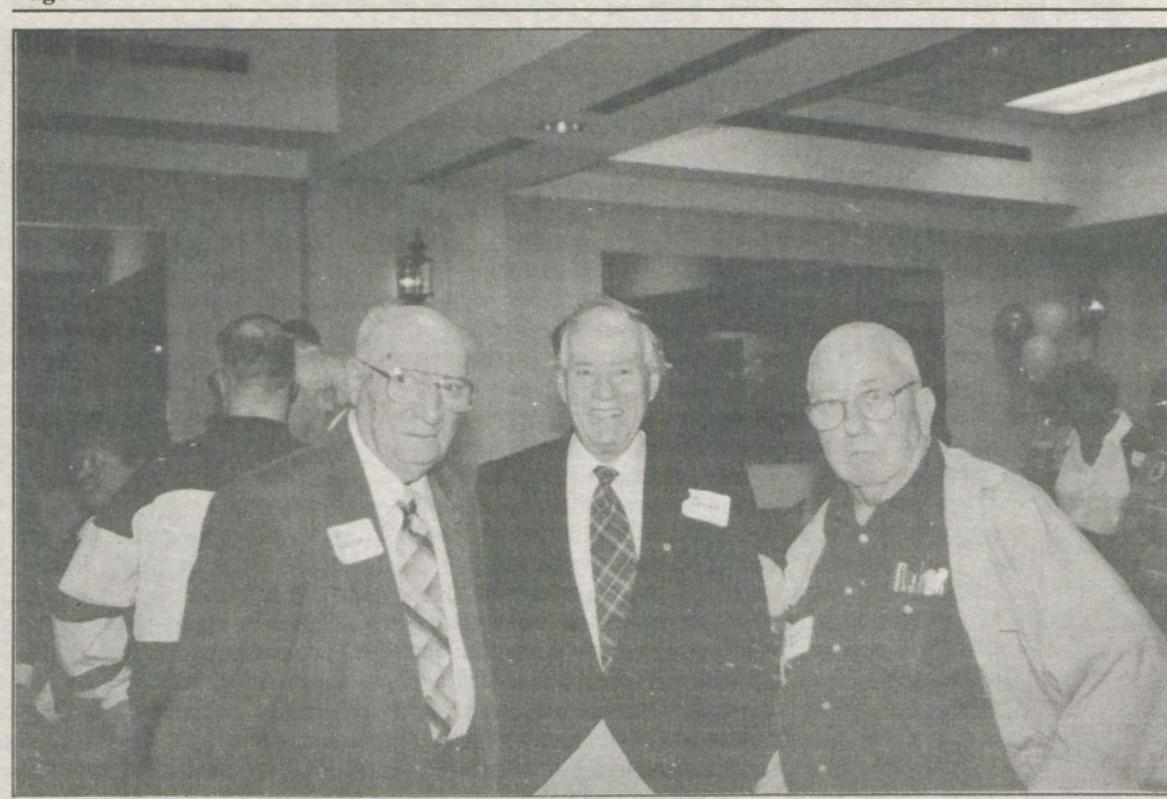
**City of Greenbelt Department of Public Works CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTION POINTS**

Recycle your Christmas trees between December 29<sup>th</sup> and February 6<sup>th</sup>. Trees will be processed through the wood chipper and used as mulch around trees and flower beds. Trees will be picked up at the following locations:

<b>GHI</b>	73 Ct. Ridge Road -Playground Opposite Plateau Place & Ridge Road -Corner playground Research Road & Hillside -Corner	<b>GLEN OAKS-Between Buildings:</b> 7903 & 7905 Mandan Road 7509 & 7511 Mandan Road
	Eastway & Crescent Road -Corner	<b>HUNTING RIDGE-Between Buildings:</b> 6936 & 6978 Hanover Parkway
	21 Ct. Ridge Road -Across from Green Ridge House Crescent Road & Ridge Road -Playground at junction	<b>WINDSOR GREEN</b> Court Entrances (picked up by Windsor Green Staff)
	Parkway -Across from Community Church -Corner across 58 Ct. Crescent Rd.	<b>GREENBROOK VILLAGE &amp; ESTATES</b> -Southeast Corner of Ora Glen Drive and Mathew Drive -Southeast Corner of Hanover Parkway and Greenbrook Drive -In front of barricade at Mandan Road and Mathew Street
	7 Ct. Southway -Playground at Little League	<b>GREENWOOD VILLAGE</b> -Opposite 8175 Mandan Terrace -Opposite 7646 Mandan Road -Opposite 7648 Mandan Road
	11 Ct. & 13 Ct. Ridge Road -Park area between	<b>GREENSPRING &amp; GREENSPRING II</b> -Southwest Corner of Megan Lane and Craddock Road -Park area between 7926 & 8006 Greenbury Drive -Corner of Spring Manor Drive and Springshire Way -Open area between 6519 & 6515 Springcrest Drive
<b>BOXWOOD</b>	Ivy and Lastner Lane -Playground	<b>BELLE POINT</b> -Corner of Vanity Fair Drive and Prince James Way -Open area between 7800 & 7801 Vanity Fair Drive -Open area beside 7962 Vanity Fair Dr.
<b>LAKEWOOD</b>	Greenhill Rd. & Crescent Rd. (by Baptist Church)	
<b>CHARLESTOWNE VILLAGE AND CHARLESTOWNE NORTH</b>	Adjacent to Attick Park	
<b>UNIVERSITY SQUARE</b>	Front of swimming pool	
<b>LAKESIDE NORTH</b>	Near swimming pool	
<b>SPRINGHILL LAKE</b>	Community Building	
<b>GREENBRIAR</b>	Between Buildings: 7708 & 7710 Hanover Parkway 7728 & 7730 Hanover Parkway 7826 & 7828 Hanover Parkway 8003 & 8009 Mandan Road	

**60th Anniversary Celebration**

In last week's paper, p.17, two of these photos had incorrect captions. One photo was missing, even though the caption was there. They are reprinted with corrections. The News Review regrets the error.



Original Greenbelter Bill Siegel with Bob Kennedy and Henry McFarland, husbands of sisters Joanne and Kathleen Scott.



Eddie Burton, a Berwyn Boy and wife, Eunice (Birtman) Burton and Phyllis (Birtman) Bickerton, Original Greenbelters.

These original Greenbelters are really Carol Kling and Esther (Wolfe) Stepahen.

-photos by Ru Yang

**Greenbelt CARES**

Judye Hering has begun publicizing the winter GED course. Course registration will begin on Tuesday, January 12, from 10:30 -12:30 only. GED I is for students who need review of basic English and math skills. GED II is for students who need review of algebra, geometry, English

composition and test taking techniques. This 10-week course, free to Greenbelt residents (non-Greenbelt residents are required to pay a \$100 registration fee), held every Tuesday and Thursday in the Municipal Building, will end on Thursday, March 20.



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## Heritage

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shaped superblocks. Factory workers would live in the housing. Surrounding the garden city would be truck farms providing fresh produce to the city - the "greenbelt."

### Letchworth

Howard obtained financial backing from industrialists to build his first garden city, Letchworth, England, which was begun in 1903. The plan for Letchworth differs from his garden city ideal in many ways. The town is centered on the railroad station. Civic and commercial buildings are located near the station and around a town square and a wide avenue known as Broadway. A large town commons was located on the opposite side of the tracks from the station. A road connecting two main roads on either side of the town divides Letchworth in half. Industries were to be located along the railroad, but they were difficult to attract and the town was slow to prosper.

Letchworth was never planned to be a part of a ring of garden cities around a central city. A second town, Wellwyn, also was built by Howard.

### Radburn, NJ

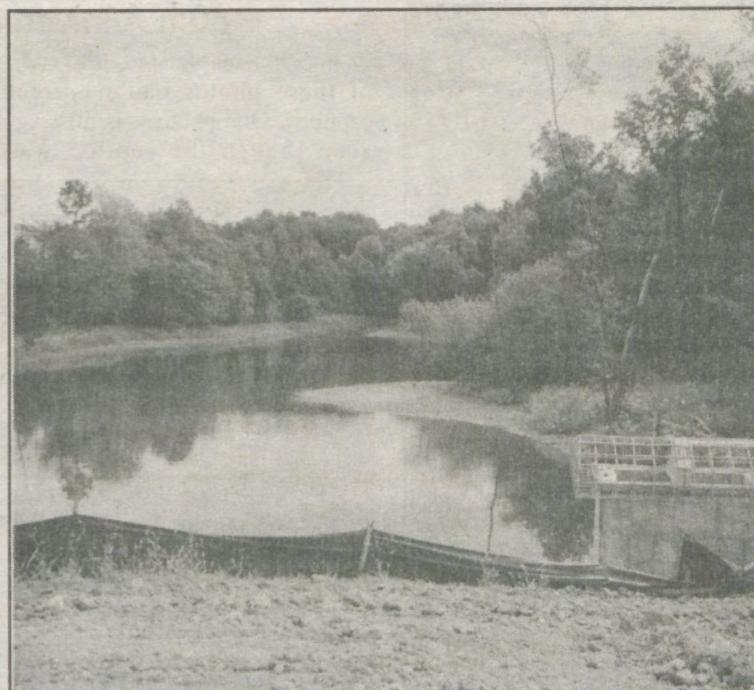
Clarence Stein and Henry Wright came together with others to form the City Housing Corporation of New York in the 1920s. After building decent, affordable housing at Sunnyside Gardens on Long Island, they built Radburn, New Jersey, where their ideas for a garden city were fully expressed. Stein and Wright introduced superblocks, about 40 acres in size, without vehicular traffic. They also used cul-de-sacs (dead-end streets) around which housing was clustered. Kitchens faced the street, living areas faced interior parks. Walkways and underpasses separated pedestrians from cars, allowing safe access from residential neighborhoods to schools, shopping, and community facilities.

There were to be three main villages, each centered on its own elementary school and each divided into seven neighborhoods.

Initially a success, Radburn failed in the great depression of the 1930s. Its plan had a profound effect on community planning worldwide and is the greatest single influence on the design of Greenbelt.

### Haydn's "Creation" Auditions Coming

Don't miss the chance to sing with the University of Maryland Chorus in a spectacular performance of Haydn's "Creation," the culmination of the chorus's Thirtieth Anniversary season. The chorus, conducted by Paul Traver, along with the Smithsonian Chamber Orchestra, will celebrate the 200th Anniversary of the first performance of this magnificent oratorio. Auditions will be held January 9, 10 and 11 at the University of Maryland College Park Campus. Call 301-405-5571 for information.



Newly completed Greenbrook Lake from the west. Landscaping in the foreground will be completed when the work on the storm drain (right) is finished.

-photo by Rita Wooddell

## Council Tours New Lake

by Dennis Jelalian

September 4 the City Council, and staff and some residents toured an almost completed Greenbrook Lake.

The finished lake will be 1.3 acres. Due to work on a storm drain, the lake was purposely left with little water. Once the storm drain is complete, the lake will fill naturally through runoff and spring water.

The tour was conducted by City Manager Mike McLaughlin, Director of Planning and Community Development Celia Craze, and City Horticulturist Bill Phelan, assisted by Kim Paniati, civil engineer with the firm Greenman-Pederson, and project manager of Greenbrook Lake for the last three years, and City Clerk David Moran.

### Plantings

Landscaping around the storm

ing installation of a series of small dams to slow the spring-fed stream, control erosion, and provide a decorative element.

### Bridge?

There was also talk about putting a bridge across the narrow eastern neck of the lake, but no action has been taken yet.

All the natural trees are to be left, retaining as far as possible, the look of a wild natural area.

### Trails

Craze showed plans of the pond, Schrom Hills Park and the surroundings. Still to be completed are trails around the lake and connecting with other nearby areas.

A road has been paved from Hanover Parkway as far as the storm drain, so that vehicles have access to the drain for cleaning and service. To save money, the rest of the path to the lake was



New sign at Greenbrook Lake

-photo by Rita Wooddell

drain and the west side of the lake will be completed. The berms will be seeded with grass and wild flowers. The northwest corner of the berm will be planted with tall trees to shield the lake from Hanover Parkway and to continue the line of trees near the berm to provide unity and to shade some Greenbrook homes.

Phelan plans grass and flowers around the pond, and some flowers in the water.

### Fish?

When asked about the possibility of fishing in the lake, Phelan explained that the lake is too small for fishing, but that he is thinking of stocking it with ornamental fish.

Currently, Phelan is supervis-

left covered only in coarse gravel. Paniati explained that the lake will act as a natural reservoir, and should be able to withstand a hundred year flood without disturbing any nearby homes.

McLaughlin and Craze said that, so far, the lake has cost over \$650,000.00. When completed the total costs should be \$697,000.00.

Also on the tour were Greenbelt East Advisory Committee members Sheldon Goldberg, chair; Charlene MacAdams, treasurer; Judith Thompson, secretary; Evelyn Kahrs and her husband Robert, and Dorothy Pyles. Other local residents Bill Parker, Ron Simon, and Bob Kessel joined the tour, too.

## Happy Birthday Hillary! Greenbelter at the Party

by Janet Jacobs-Parker

On a recent rainy Sunday afternoon I, and hundreds of others, helped Hillary Rodham Clinton celebrate her fiftieth birthday at a surprise birthday party in a tent on the lawn of the White House. I went as a representative of the Hillary Fan Club. Celebrities of television, screen, politics, and television news broadcasts, as well as family members, mingled with those known only to the Clintons and to one another. Chelsea, wearing jeans and looking like any college student home for the weekend, strolled through the crowd greeting friends. It could have been a family reunion.

Hillary Clinton's favorite foods from the 50s, 60s, and 70s were set up at serving areas around the tent. These included scrambled eggs, macaroni and cheese, peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, fried bologna, and chips and salsa. But salads and vegetables for the vegetarians were in abundance also.

Finally the anticipated moment arrived. A White House auto pulled up and the First Lady, dressed casually in a simple black pantsuit, and accompanied by her grinning, excited husband in casual Western garb, entered the tent. As everyone shouted, "Surprise," and the cameras flashed, it was apparent that she really was surprised. Ted Danson and Mary Steenbergen presented her with gifts of a book of greetings from world leaders and a goat, which represented a gift of farm animals to a favorite project of Mrs. Clinton's, one in Arkansas which enables poor women to support their families and even start small businesses.

Looking around I could see Rita Braver of CBS News, Linda Thomason and her hus-

band, producers of TV sitcoms and friends of the Clintons from Arkansas, Markie Post of Night Court and other television shows, Donna Shalala, secretary of Health and Human Services, and former Secretary of Labor Robert Reich.

Then came the time everyone had been waiting for, a chance to meet her. She went from group to group, greeting old friends from Chicago or Arkansas, and old school chums like Senator Diane Feinstein from California.

Finally it was our turn. Our Fan Club was small in numbers, but when the First Lady, identifying us by our Hillary Clinton Fan Club buttons and t-shirts, saw us, she screamed, almost cried, and told us, "You people helped me over some rough times." Then she hugged us, and gathered us in for a group picture. And, in spite of its being HER party, she asked one of her attendants to take a picture of us on my camera!

I was there at Hillary's surprise birthday party, and I have the picture to prove it!

## Visitors Needed

The Prince George's County Department of Family Services is seeking men and women of any age over 21 (especially seniors) to visit with frail seniors in their homes. A commitment of one hour a week for six months is required. An application and interview, orientation and monthly reports also are required. Locations available throughout the county. Call Elaine McDonegal at 301-699-2892 to volunteer in the new Department of Family Services Senior Visitation Program.



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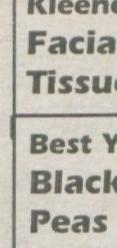
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## CURRY

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thinks the court will dismiss the suit and no longer be involved as requested by the county, although he has no assurance that this will happen. "My opinion is that this arrangement is obsolete. It is meaningless and out-of-date. There is no reason that citizens can't do this better than the judge. I'm fully optimistic that we're going to get out of this," he told the group.

Curry said he speaks a lot of the business function of the schools. He is not interested in becoming involved with educational programs. Nor does he wish to become involved in whether or not the school board is elected, that is not his fight. But he does think that he can build schools faster and cheaper than the school board has.

When asked what kinds of strings might be attached to the governor and legislature providing more funding to the school system, Curry said that he expects that there will be strings attached, particularly accountability measures. He hopes to get a five year funding deal during which there will be some demands placed upon the school system by the legislature.

In response to a question from Ruth Bond, Curry said that he didn't believe that ending enforced busing would result in segregation of housing, for the county has gone too far for that. He felt that the current problems that have resulted in the overcrowding of schools and necessitate more busing of children were caused, in part, by a lack of consistency between the county's development policies and the policies of the county's board of education.

### Economic Development

He told of his belief that the county should not be restricted in its authority to raise revenues and noted that while the raising of funds for schools and police were restricted by TRIM, there was no restriction imposed on raising taxes for parks and recreation. However, speaking of his effort to get the TRIM limitations repealed, he admitted, "I failed miserably." "No problem," he said. It left him no way to go except to expand the tax base. He boasted that the county now leads the entire metropolitan region in commercial growth. He cited a number of new businesses that have entered the county, such as Starbucks Coffee store that just opened in Greenbelt.

Curry concluded his off-the-cuff remarks by telling the Democrats, "we are going to keep up our faith on these major issues. I think things are really headed in the right direction."

### Other Issues

Janet Parker expressed her concern that the Washington Post played up the other regional counties, but not Prince George's. Curry said that he had made some progress with the newspaper. He got it to stop using "P.G." in its headlines. He said he had had some pretty direct exchanges with the owner and editors on this. They claimed the county's name was too long, but he pointed out that they didn't abbreviate Prince William which was as long. He said that the editorial staff liked the county,

## Local Road to 2003 In Draft Document

According to Celia Wilson Craze, Greenbelt planning director, the city has received a draft of the State's 1998-2003 Consolidated Transportation Program. This document sets forth the recommended capital expenditures for the state's transportation system. Over half of all funds allocated through the CTP are directed to the State Highway Administration (SHA) for highway and related transit projects. The FY 1998-2003 CTP contains projects totaling \$4.6 billion.

A number of projects have been identified by staff which will have some impact on Greenbelt. Most of the major projects are planning studies; no construction funds have been allocated. Two involve

but that there are many other divisions, and that is where the problem lies. He criticized the paper for not writing about the county's improved crime statistics. He also felt that the paper might take a greater interest in the county in the future, considering the large printing plant facility now being built in College Park.

### Telephone Tax

A small telecommunications businessman from Clinton complained about Curry's efforts to impose a county telephone tax. He felt it would be harmful to small business and particularly discouraging in the newly developing field of telecommunications. Curry strongly supported the county getting this tax authority which Montgomery and other counties already have. "It is an opportunity for us to get out of the fiscal noose that we have put ourselves in with TRIM," he said, again advocating that the county have more opportunity to make its own decisions.

When asked about what plans there were for the utilization of the Glenn Dale Sanitarium property, Curry responded, "None, it's a non-starter." He said the high costs for tearing down and redeveloping the property discouraged private development. He noted problems with asbestos and extensive underground tunneling. He also noted that there was "weird" state legislation limiting the use of the property and that this was not one of his priorities.

Esther Webb asked why he hadn't approved a housing project for low-income families that had been long-planned for Suitland after the organization to build it had been told that he would approve it. Curry said that the county had more than its share of low-income housing, 36% of the housing in the region, but that the county had a low percentage of the region's high-income housing. "We seek to get a better balance," he said. He regretted that the organization had been misinformed, but he was not willing to support more low-income housing for the county.



Kenilworth Avenue. The first allocates funds for the Kenilworth Avenue widening project, scheduled for the next fiscal year. The Kenilworth Avenue extended project is also shown, although the project is on hold.

Other projects which impact Greenbelt include: 1. A study to construct an interchange at I-95 and Contee Road. This project is on hold through FY 1998 pending the developers' commitment. 2. A study to determine the feasibility of adding HOV lanes on both loops of the Maryland Beltway. This project is in the planning phase only. No construction funds are included. 3. Inter-County Connector. This project shows right-of-way acquisition funding through the year 2003. No construction funds are included. 4. Kenilworth Avenue Extended. A study of a four to

six-lane divided highway from I-95/I-495 to Contee Road. Although this project is included in the CTP, no funds are proposed for planning, engineering or construction. Notes indicate that planning for this project is on hold. 5. A study to reconstruct U.S. 1 from Paint Branch Parkway to Sunnyside Avenue. Project planning is to begin this year and continue through 2000. No construction funds are included. 6. Greenbelt Road resurfacing. Projects to resurface Greenbelt Road from Hanover Parkway to Soil Conservation Road, and from Soil Conservation Road to MD 564, are listed for funding in FY 1999. 7. Kenilworth Avenue improvements from I-95 to Cherrywood Lane; \$1,947,000 is budgeted during FY 1998 to add a third lane in each direction. 8. Greenbelt Road sidewalks. A project to retrofit sidewalks at the B-W Parkway exit ramp is included for \$5,000 in funding during FY 1998.

No project is shown for the

rehabilitation of the Cherrywood Lane bridge over the Beltway. Travel on the bridge was limited due to structural problems discovered by the state. While the city does not have to support restoring the lane to its previous four-lane section, any structural deficiencies should be remedied.

### Planner Advises Opposition

Craze recommended that Council send a letter to Greenbelt's elected officials expressing opposition to the ICC and Kenilworth Avenue extended projects. "The City should be given an opportunity to review plans for the sidewalk retrofit. We should also suggest to the state that they coordinate with Goddard on improvements to the Soil Conservation Road intersection, since repaving is planned for Greenbelt Road at that intersection. Finally, the omission of the bridge repair should be brought to the state's attention, with a request that the CTP be amended to include an appropriate repair project."

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# POLICE BLOTTER

*Based on Information Released by the Greenbelt Police Department*

## Armed Robbery

Dec. 12, 6:36 p.m., 7525 Greenway Center Drive parking lot, an armed robbery was reported. The victim told officers that she was getting presents out of the trunk of her car when a man approached her. He pointed a black handgun at the victim and told her, "Put the purse down, this is a stickup." The victim hesitated, at which time the robber told her, "Put the purse down or I'll shoot you." The victim dropped her purse. The man then picked up the purse and ran toward Hanover Drive. The victim was not injured in the incident. The robber was joined by a second individual who had taken no active part in the robbery. Both then fled on foot. The robber is described as a black male in his twenties, 5'5", with a thin build. He was wearing a black knit cap and dark clothing.

Dec. 15, 7:43 a.m., 6800 block of Megan Lane, officers responded to a residence for a report of an armed robbery. The victim told officers that she was cleaning ice from her windshield when a man walked up to her, pointed a gun at her and said, "Don't move." He took the victim's purse and fled on foot toward Hanover Parkway. The robber is described as a black male, 19 years of age, 5'5" and 130 pounds, wearing a black knit cap, black jacket and black jeans.

## Assault

Dec. 17, 6100 block of Breezewood Drive, officers responded to a residence. The victim told officers that she had been punched in the face. She

## Hotline on Drugs

The Greenbelt Police Department needs the help of residents. Any citizen with information about possible drug activity in the city is encouraged to call the Greenbelt Narcotics Hot Line at 301-507-6522. Callers may remain anonymous.

had a cut by her right eye and was transported to Doctors Community Hospital for treatment. Her assailant was sitting at the dining room table and admitted to the assault and was arrested. The 21-year-old male resident appeared before a district court commissioner and was released pending trial.

Dec. 17, 56 Court of Ridge Road, an officer responded to a residence for a report of an assault. The juvenile victim told the officer that another juvenile female had punched her in the face several times. The incident occurred near 2 Court of Gardenway as the victim was walking to school. The victim believed that the incident took place because the assailant left a shirt at the residence of the victim and the shirt was creased during laundering. The assailant made reference to the damaged shirt during the assault. The victim suffered a bloody nose and bruises to her neck as a result of the assault. Charges against the attacker, a 16-year-old female resident, are pending.

## Alcohol

Dec. 12, Beltway Plaza Mall, an officer arrested a 25-year-old

male nonresident after he purchased an alcoholic beverage for a minor. He was held on unrelated charges. Also arrested was a nonresident juvenile who was charged with possession of an alcoholic beverage and released to his mother pending action by the juvenile justice system.

Dec. 13, Beltway Plaza Mall, an officer arrested a 24-year-old male resident who purchased an alcoholic beverage for an underage juvenile. Also arrested was

## Substation-East

The new Greenbelt Police substation phone number is 301-474-4992. This number is for non-emergency calls only. The substation may not be staffed 24 hours per day but there is an answering machine. Emergency police calls should be directed to the regular emergency number, 301-474-5454.

an 18-year-old male nonresident. The adult was charged with purchasing an alcoholic beverage for a minor. The underaged person was charged with possession of an alcoholic beverage. Both of the individuals were released pending trial.

## Burglary and Theft

Dec. 12, 6800 block of Hanover Parkway, a burglary of two construction storage trailers was reported. The locks were cut from the trailer doors. A generator was stolen.

Dec. 14, 6100 block of Breezewood Drive, an attempted burglary was reported at a residence. The front door was opened, but the safety chain was only partially unscrewed. Entry was not gained.

Dec. 16, Greenway Center. A commercial burglary was reported. Furniture and electronics were taken.

Dec. 17, Jo-Ann's Fabrics, Beltway Plaza. A commercial burglary was reported. A concrete drill and its accessories were stolen.

Dec. 18, 6100 block of Breezewood Court, a residential burglary was reported. Personal items such as CDs, videocassettes and jewelry were taken from the victim's secured bedroom. The only sign of forced entry was a damaged lock on the bedroom door.

Dec. 18, 9100 block of Edmonston Terrace, a burglary was reported. A television was taken; there were no signs of forced entry.

Dec. 18, 6900 block of Hanover Parkway, a theft was reported to have occurred. The victim advised that while he was away from his residence, a Christmas wreath that was hanging on the front door and a package delivered by UPS that day had been stolen.

Dec. 13, 8000 block of Mandan Road, a boy's chrome Pacific Hammer bicycle was stolen from the basement of an apartment building. The bicycle was unattended.

Dec. 14, 8000 block of Mandan Road. A boy's blue GT Dyno BMX bicycle was reported stolen.

Dec. 18, Beltway Plaza. A woman reported that her cellular phone had been stolen out of her purse while she was shopping.

## Vehicles

Dec. 12, a 1989 Honda Accord that was reported stolen from the 9100 block of Springhill Lane on November 28 was recovered in the 5700 block of Riverdale Road by the Riverdale Police Department. No arrests were made.

Dec. 14, 7900 block of Mandan Road, a cream-colored 1984 Toyota Camry with Maryland tags DRP895 was reported stolen.

Dec. 15, 9100 block of Edmonston Road, a blue 1995 Ford Contour with Maryland tags ERM508 was reported stolen.

Dec. 15, a gray 1984 Volkswagen Jetta that was reported stolen on November 15 was recovered in the 11500 block of Broadview Road in Wheaton. The vehicle was recovered by the Montgomery County Police after it was involved in a hit-and-run accident. No arrests were made.

Dec. 16, 6500 block of Capital Drive, a 1997 Suzuki Sidekick with Maryland tags 894118M was reported stolen.

Dec. 18, a 1989 Nissan 240SX that had been reported stolen from the 7600 block of Mandan Road on November 10 was located by the owner of the vehicle in the 6000 block of Cherrywood Court. No damage had been done to the vehicle. There were no arrests made.

Vandalisms to, thefts from, and attempted thefts from vehicles were reported in the following areas:

6000 block of Greenbelt Road, 6900 block of Hanover Parkway, 6100 block of Breezewood Court, 6000 block of Springhill Drive, 6000 block of Breezewood Drive, 9100 block of Springhill Lane, 5900 block of Cherrywood Terrace, parking lot in the 6400 block of Capital Drive, and 7500 block of Greenway Center Drive.

## MdTA Will Police Highways for Season

As part of a nationwide effort to make highways safer for all motorists, the Maryland Transportation Authority (MdTA) Police joined State and local law enforcement agencies in National Holiday Lifesavers Weekend December 19 - 21.

MdTA police plan to continue these efforts through the entire holiday season from December 22 through January 4.

At facilities including the Baltimore Harbor and Fort McHenry Tunnels and the Francis Scott Key, Thomas J. Hatem, Harry W. Nice and William Preston Lane Jr. Bridges, MdTA Police officers will intensify their efforts to identify and apprehend violators of child-safety seat, seat-belt, speeding, aggressive driver and DWI/DUI statutes.

The Maryland Transportation Authority (MdTA) police department, with more than 300 sworn officers, is the seventh largest law-enforcement agency in Maryland. In addition to policing Maryland's toll facilities, the MdTA police also have law enforcement responsibilities for the Baltimore-Washington International Airport.

## All-Hung Exhibit At Montpelier

The Montpelier Cultural Arts Center offers an opportunity for all artists to exhibit their works during the bi-annual All-Hung Exhibit. All works must be brought to the Arts Center, located at 12826 Laurel-Bowie Road in Laurel on January 5, between 10 a.m. and 8 p.m. Each person may bring only one piece of art, which must be framed and matted with hooks and wire suitable for hanging. Artwork may not exceed 35 inches in any direction. A reception in honor of the participating artists will take place on January 9 from 7 to 9 p.m.

For further information, call 301-953-1993.

## Alzheimer's Support Groups Available

A support group may be the answer for anyone who feels misunderstood or worn down from caring for a person who is forgetful or who has Alzheimer's disease. The Alzheimer's Association Greater Washington Chapter offers support groups as a lifeline for people who want a safe, confidential place to share the day-to-day reality of this disease with people in similar situations. In addition, support group members also may have tips on caring for a person with memory loss.

There are more than 40 local support groups. Independently run, the groups are free, and are held in a variety of locations at different times, days and places. Some are part of adult day care programs and in nursing homes and are open to families of participants and/or residents. Spanish speaking groups are also available.

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*An Overview***What Is the City's Greenbelt?****How Can It Be Used?**

by James Giese

**Part I**

(This article is the first of two, offering an overview of the philosophy and present status of the city's surrounding greenbelt and how the city has reestablished parts of the city's greenbelt primarily in an area east of the original planned town, known as Parcels 1 and 2. James Giese, as former city manager, had personal oversight over many of the transactions detailed in this report.)

The Greenbelt City Council is considering ways, such as an agreement with an outside organization, to assure protection of the woodlands in the city's restored greenbelt in Parcels 1 and 2. However, Council has not decided what kind of formal arrangement is necessary. A wide variety of restrictions already exist on use of that land, of which the most significant is the city's present ownership and control of it.

To some citizens these restrictions seem inadequate, despite council's received opinion from its attorney, Robert A. Manzi, that "there is nothing that we can do in addition to what we have done to protect Parcels 1 and 2." In considering the issue, council has failed to explore two fundamental components: Exactly what land area constitutes the city's greenbelt, and what use and purposes for it should be permitted?

**Possible Uses**

On the latter question, an historical perspective is useful. Although some Greenbelters believe that only undisturbed woodlands may be included in a greenbelt, Ebeneezer Howard, the Englishman who originated the greenbelt concept and whose ideas inspired Greenbelt's early planners, envisioned the greenbelt as countryside. To him it would consist primarily of small truck farms to raise produce for sale in the city. Others consider park, open space and recreational activities suitable uses for a greenbelt.

**Extent of Land in Question**

Although the city can no longer be completely surrounded by a greenbelt, large tracts of land still remain which would be suitable for part of it. Most of this land, still owned by the federal government, has never been designated as the city's greenbelt and is not restricted as to use. To date, no effort has been made by the city council to encourage the federal government to designate this land as greenbelt, even though such a designation would not conflict with its current uses. Instead, council has focused on further preservation of Parcels 1 and 2, which the city already owns and controls.

Over time the city has acquired about 235 acres of undeveloped land as part of its greenbelt — most of it known as Parcels 1 and 2, lying only on the eastern side of the original planned community, this land is bounded on the west by Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI), the housing cooperative that owns most of the original homes built by the federal government between 1937 and

1942. The Baltimore-Washington Parkway forms its eastern boundary. The city limits and the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC) mark the northern side of this somewhat triangular-shaped greenbelt.

While the original community can no longer be entirely surrounded by a greenbelt, other nearby lands can help to provide a partial greenbelt along the other sides of the community. The most suitable for such a designation is the adjacent BARC property along the city's northern boundary. This land consists of woodland, floodplain and land used for agricultural research purposes — all uses appropriate for a greenbelt.

The city has no assurance that the federal government will continue to use the land in this way. Parcels adjacent to the city, for example, have already been split off for other uses by the Goddard Space Flight Center (GFSC), the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (for a Metro storage yard and maintenance facility) and the U.S. Justice Department (for a Southern Maryland Dis-

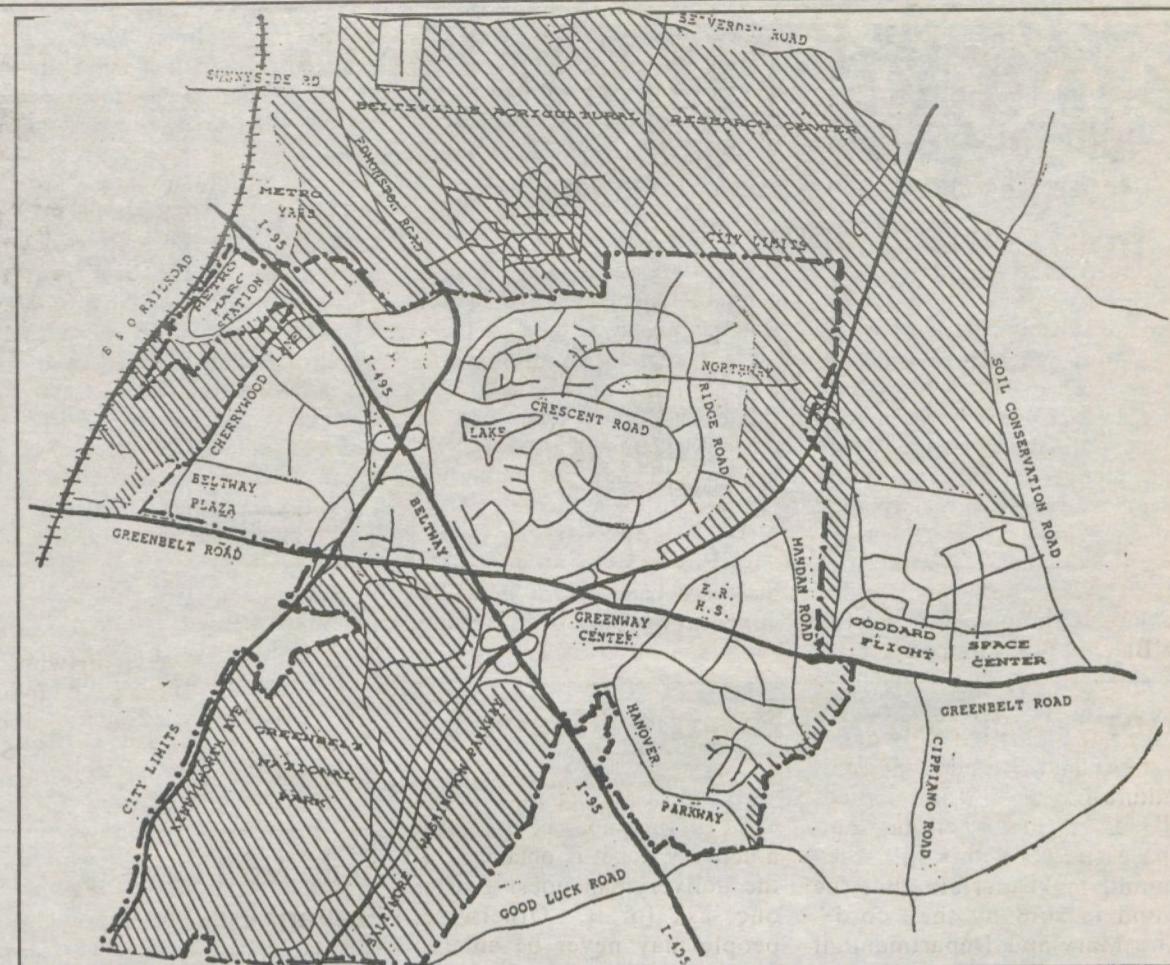
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trict Courthouse). Other nearby land has been transferred to the U.S. Department of Agriculture for a headquarters office building complex.

Although in earlier editorials the News Review has advocated that the government (preferably the U. S. Congress) designate at least part of BARC adjacent to the city as a portion of the city's greenbelt, used only for open space and agricultural research purposes, no political action to accomplish this aim has been undertaken by any official or governing body. Without such a greenbelt or other restrictive-use designation, the city has no assurance that other BARC lands will not be converted to inappropriate uses.

To the south of the original community, the 1,100-acre Greenbelt Park, owned by the National Park Service (NPS), helps to form a part of the city's greenbelt. While there is less concern over this land's being converted to another use, it is not totally protected. At one time, for example, NPS gave consideration to swapping this land for Marshall Hall, an amusement park it sought, and eventually did acquire, across the Potomac River from Mount Vernon. The owner of Marshall Hall, who would then have privately owned this land, could have developed it.

On the west side of the original community, little of the greenbelt remains, except for Braden Field and Buddy Attick (Greenbelt Lake) Park. Originally deeded to the city by the federal government as the largest city park, its boundaries were increased by the acquisition of eight parcels, most of which were purchased using state and federal open space



This map of Greenbelt and its environs depicts land which James Giese proposed in an article in 1993 for designation as the city's greenbelt. There has never been a formal designation of a greenbelt for Greenbelt.

funds to purchase, or acquire by other means, eight other adjacent parcels that enlarged its boundaries.

The original park acreage was deeded for park and other municipal purposes. Because

other parcels were purchased with the aid of state and federal open space grants, they are restricted to park and open space use. Under open space regulations, this land cannot be converted to another use without

the state and federal governments first being repaid for their costs in acquisition or by land of equal or greater value replacing it.

**Junior Duck Stamp Contest Underway**

The 1998 Maryland-Federal Junior Duck Stamp contest for students from kindergarten through high school is the culmination of a series of classroom conservation and wildlife art programs and activities now underway in public and private schools. Students then create stamp designs featuring North American waterfowl. A national winner's design is chosen in Washington in June and used for the 1998 Federal Junior Duck Stamp.

Besides the art contest itself, the Junior Duck Stamp curriculum is designed to teach youngsters the importance of wetland environments to waterfowl and other wildlife.

The entry deadline for students' stamp designs is March 15. All entries will be exhibited at the Patuxent Wildlife Art Show in Fort Washington, March 28 - 29. Judging will be in four age groups. First, second, third place, and honorable mention winners will receive show ribbons. There will be a \$100 U.S. Savings Bond for "Best of Show" and \$75 bonds for eleven other winners; all entrants receive a certificate for participating. The winning designs will be taken on a state-wide tour to wildlife and waterfowl museums and visitor centers in Laurel, Havre de Grace, Salisbury and Easton. Best of Show will go on to be entered in the national event, where the 1998 Federal Junior Duck Stamp will be selected.

The Maryland state contest is sponsored by the Department of Natural Resources, Patuxent Research Refuge, Prince George's Arts Council and the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission. For more information and contest materials, call 301-454-1461; TTY 301-454-1472.

**Greenbelt-Based Bank Expands**

Suburban Bank of Maryland, a subsidiary of Suburban Bancshares, Inc., has announced plans to open a new location in North Bethesda, the third in Montgomery County for the Greenbelt-based business bank.

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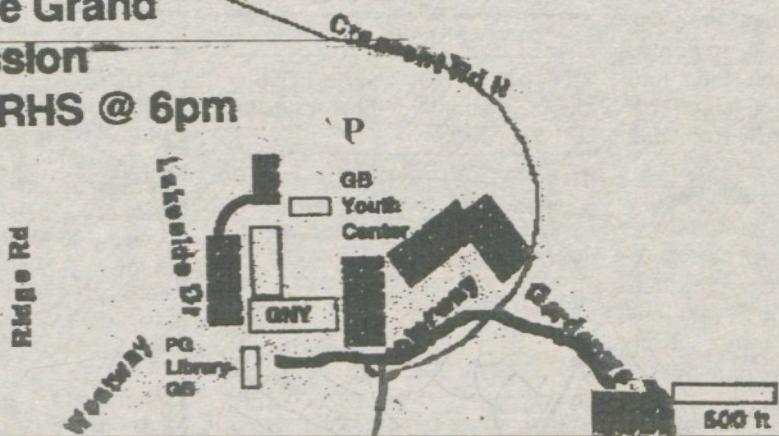
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Maryland Secretary of Agriculture Lewis R. Riley reminds all citizens that when they purchase firewood this fall, they should make certain that the wood is sold by the "cord." The Maryland Department of Agriculture's (MDA) Weights and Measures Section regulates the sale of firewood, and according to Maryland law, wood sold for use as fuel can only be advertised, offered for sale, and sold by measure using the term "cord" and fractional parts of a cord.

"Many terms commonly used in selling firewood are meaningless. Such terms as truck-load, arm-full, face cord, rack or pile should immediately arouse the suspicion of the customer. They are all illegal under Maryland Law," Riley said.

A cord, on the other hand, has a precise legal definition. It is the amount of wood that is contained in a space of 128 cubic feet, when the wood is racked and well-stowed. Racked and well-stowed means that the pieces of wood are placed in a line or row, with individual pieces touching and parallel to each other and stacked in a compact manner. Cubic feet is calculated by multiplying the width of the stack

by its height and length.

When accepting bulk deliveries of firewood, be sure that a delivery ticket is obtained. If the deliveryman doesn't offer one, ask for it. Otherwise, people may never be able to obtain satisfaction should a question arise concerning the sale once the delivery is made.

The law requires that all bulk deliveries be accompanied by a delivery ticket containing, among other information, the vendor's name and address, signature of person determining the quantity of wood delivered, and the license number or other numbers and letters that identify the vehicle by which the wood is transported. An honest salesman won't object to supplying this information.

Use as much caution and common sense in purchasing firewood as for any other consumer item. But, if anyone feels some unscrupulous firewood dealer has taken advantage of him, call MDA's Weights and Measures Office at 410-841-5790 in Annapolis. They may be able to help. And remember, please do not burn or remove any of the firewood before contacting the Weights and Measures Section.



## Fellowships Offered For Local Artists

Attention emerging artists! The National Foundation for Advancement in the Arts (NFAA) offers emerging visual artists time, space, and money to work in a supportive environment through its CAVA (Career Advancement in Visual Arts) residency program in Miami Beach, Florida.

Selected Fellows will receive studio space, housing, a \$1,000 monthly stipend and funds for supplies. The residencies run in four-month cycles and are renewable for three years. At the end of the residency, the Fellows will exhibit their work at the Corcoran Gallery of Art, which is partnering with NFAA to conduct the CAVA program. The Corcoran will produce a catalog of the exhibition that is distributed nationally to museum curators, art dealers and educators.

Artists between the ages of 18 and 40 or who have been practicing professionally at least one year but not more than five, and are U.S. citizens or permanent residents are eligible to apply to CAVA. Residencies are awarded solely on the artistic merit of the work submitted.

## Volunteers Needed

The American Cancer Society is seeking volunteers who have had breast cancer to visit newly diagnosed patients whose diagnosis and treatment are similar to provide them with information and moral support. Volunteers visit patients mostly at their homes or a mutually agreed upon place, sometimes at the hospital immediately following surgery. Training is provided. Volunteer must be at least one year post-surgery. For more information, please call Deatrice Womack at 301-933-9350.

Applications are available by contacting: NFAA Fellowships in the Visual Arts, 800 Brickell Avenue, Suite 500, Miami, Florida, 33131 or call 1-800-970-ARTS. Applicants may also apply online, <http://www.nfaa.org>. The deadline for the next available residency period (July 3 - Oct. 31, 1998) is February 1.



## Join the Grand Procession!



The Whirlwind Quintet gets a ride on the Greenbelt New Year float in the Labor Day Parade followed by the World Champions Double Dutch team and other characters who will be part of this year's New Year's activity in the Community Center. Juggler David Schuman is in the foreground. Greenbelters are invited to participate in the Grand Procession from ERHS to the Community Center on New Year's Eve.

## Jump Start Correctly Prevent Eye Injuries

Jump starting a car battery seems simple enough, but it can be dangerous and batteries can explode if jump started incorrectly. Last year, 6000 eye injuries were caused by exploding batteries.

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## Utility Bill Help

The Maryland Energy Assistance Program (MEAP) can help Pepco customers who experience difficulty paying their utility bills during the winter heating season (November 1 - March 31). Social service agencies in Prince George's County now are accepting MEAP applications.

MEAP customers also qualify for the Utility Service Protection Program (USPP), which protects low-income families from utility cutoffs and allows households that qualify for MEAP to enter into a year-round plan of equal monthly payments with their utility company.

There are also special USPP payment provisions for MEAP participants who are at or below the 50 percent poverty level. If a customer's electric service is disconnected as of October 31, 1997, the service may be restored, depending upon the customer's eligibility in USPP, and provided that a designated portion of any outstanding bill is paid.

To qualify for MEAP or USPP, these income guidelines must be met:

Household Size	Maximum Monthly Income
1	\$ 986
2	\$1326
3	\$1666
4	\$2006
5	\$2346
6	\$2686

For more information or to schedule an appointment, call the MEAP center in Prince George's County at 301-422-5110.

## PG Centenarians To Be Honored

People who live to see their hundredth birthday, deserve a celebration according to those at the Evelyn Cole Senior Center. On Friday, January 16, from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., the Center is hosting a "Celebration of Centenarians" to honor Prince George's County senior citizens who have lived one hundred years or more. There will be a "social," luncheon, door prizes and a special pre-

sentation to the honorees. Reservations are due by Friday, January 9. The Center is located at 5720 Addison Road, Seat Pleasant.



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## Visitor Center Holds Wildlife Art Show

The National Wildlife Visitor Center will feature an exhibit by artist Debra Standford-Trent from January 1 through February 28.

As a child, it was the love of horses that prompted Debra Standford-Trent to take pencil in hand to try to replicate their power, beauty, and grace on drawing paper. Although essentially a self-taught artist, she has been a professional commercial artist since 1974, functioning variously as a technical illustrator, graphic designer, and art director. Her passion however, is illustrating wildlife in their natural settings. She has mastered oils, acrylics, gouache, and watercolor.

Aside from her artistic motivation it is her intent also to help promote the protection of endangered species and the preservation of wildlife habitat.

The National Wildlife Visitor Center is located on the grounds of the Patuxent Research Refuge between Laurel and Bowie. The Visitor Center is open every day except Christmas from 10 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. For additional information, please call the Center at 301-497-5760.

## Disabled and Elderly Can Get Tuition Aid

Disabled and older adults in need of a day treatment program, but unable to attend due to limited funds, may be eligible for a limited number of "scholarships" offered by the Baptist Senior Adult Ministries (BSAM).

"BSAM has always been a strong proponent of community-based services. We are extremely excited to be able to provide scholarship funding to those who may not have been able to take advantage of our programs in the past," said Wes Bishop, chairman of the board of BSAM.

BSAM runs four Adult Care Centers, one of which is in the Greenbelt Community Center. The Center is open Monday through Saturday. The day program provides a safe, therapeutic environment for adults with physical, mental or emotional disabilities, and offers therapeutic activities, social support, fellowship and respite care for families. Three meals, including a hot meal at noon, are included.

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